

Jackson County

Number of Children (1997): 8,669

Children are 30.2% of the county population

Economic Cluster #4: Poorer



Number of Children (1997): 1,651

Children are 24.8% of the county population

Economic Cluster #4: Poorer

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	6.9% of live births 1983-87				8.5%	6.3% of live births 1992-96	33
Infant Mortality	6.4/1000 live births 1983-87	-2.1%				6.5/1000 live births 1992-96	25
Births to Young Teens	52.5/1000 girls 15-17 1981-83				9.1%	47.8/1000 girls 15-17 1994-96	68
Child Abuse & Neglect	7.7 confirmed/1000 children FY 1985	-174.5%	,			21.1 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997	60
Child Deaths	28.5/100,000 children 1-14 1978-83				5.8%	26.8/100,000 children 1-14 1992-96	24
Child Poverty	22.5% of all children 1980	-17.1%				26.3% of all children 1993 (revised)	36
High School Dropouts	3.6% of grades 9-12 1994-1995 School Year				40.2%	2.1% of grades 9-12 1996-1997 School Year	10
Juvenile Arrests	215.7/100,000 youth 10-17 1980	-96.4%				423.5/100,000 youth 10-17 1997	72

Jefferson County County Seat: Waurika

County Seat: Altus

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	6.0% of live births 1983-87				14.7%	5.1% of live births 1992-96	9
Infant Mortality	8.8/1000 live births 1983-87				31.5%	6.0/1000 live births 1992-96	21
Births to Young Teens	46.1/1000 girls 15-17 1981-83				48.6%	23.7/1000 girls 15-17 1994-96	12
Child Abuse & Neglect	0.5 confirmed/1000 children FY 1985	5472.4%				27.9 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997	69
Child Deaths	87.4/100,000 children 1-14 1978-83				7.5%	80.8/100,000 children 1-14 1992-96	74
Child Poverty	21.0% of all children 1980	-36.4%				28.6% of all children 1993 (revised)	47
High School Dropouts	3.4% of grades 9-12 1994-1995 School Year	-77.1%				6.0% of grades 9-12 1996-1997 School Year	65
Juvenile Arrests	97.4/100,000 youth 10-17 1980				100.0%	0.0/100,000 youth 10-17 1997	tie for 1

Change of more than 110% — positive or negative — are graphed with broken bar 📃 state change 🔳 county change ### = zero base - cannot calculate change County Rank (1 = best) (77 = worst)